

## State of Florida Department of Children and Families

Rick Scott Governor

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September 2, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT
*Certified Mail No.:
Donnie and Juanita Coleman

**RE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVOKE FOSTER HOME LICENSE** 

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Coleman,

The Department of Children and Families, Southern Regional Office, regrets to inform you of the decision to revoke your foster home license. The decision to revoke your license is based upon a determination that you violated applicable statutes, codes, and your bilateral service agreement. Specifically, the Department of Children and Families (hereinafter referred to as the "Department") has received a report of your non-compliance with the Department's policies and procedures regarding foster care licensure as more specifically detailed herein.

On April 29, 2011, abuse report with intake number 2011-099149 was received by the Department

Circuits 11 and 16 401 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite N-1007, Miami, Florida 33128 Your actions forced the immediate removal of both children from your home and the Department's determination that you were in clear violation of applicable statutes, codes and the bilateral service agreement.

Pursuant to Fla. Stat. s. 409.175(2)(f), a foster home license is not a property right and is, instead a public trust. The Department of Children and Families may deny, suspend or revoke a license for noncompliance with the requirements for licensure in accordance with Fla. Stat. s. 409.175. In light of the above referenced investigation and findings and pursuant to Fla. Stat. s. 409.175(9), it is the Department's position that your care and treatment of affected and threatened their safety and well-being providing adequate grounds for revocation of your foster home license.

Please be advised that any party whose substantial interests are affected by the determination to revoke has a right to request an administrative proceeding pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes. The request for an administrative proceeding must be in writing and must be received within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of this notice. The request must be addressed to: Frances A. Faccidomo, Esq., Assistant Regional Legal Counsel, Department of Children and Families, 401 N.W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite N-1014, Miami, Florida 33128.

In accordance with Fla. Stat. s. 120.569(2) and 120.54(5)(b), include the following information in the written request for an administrative hearing: (1) the name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (2) the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) who is asking for the hearing (the petitioner(s)); (3) the name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any; (4) an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interest is or will be affected by the agency decision; (5) a statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision; (6) a statement either that the petitioner does not dispute those facts along with a list of the facts in dispute; (7) if facts are in dispute, a statement of the facts as the petitioner perceives them to be; (8) a statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner believes require the agency to reverse or modify its decision, and (9) a statement indicating what action the petitioner wants the agency to take in the matter.

Section 120.569, Florida Statutes, and rule 28-106.201(4), Florida Administrative Code, require that a petition be dismissed if it is not in substantial compliance with the above requirements. Furthermore, failure to make a timely request for a hearing shall be deemed a waiver of any right to a Section 120 Florida Statutes proceeding and this decision shall become the final agency decision.

If you have any questions, please contact Frances A. Faccidomo in the Legal Department at (305) 377-5055.

Very truly yours

Lauren Fuentes, MSW

Program Administrator, Family Safety

Frances A. Faccidomo

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